

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An apparatus for installing and removing a nut comprising:
an annular collar sized to extend about an outer surface of a nut and having an
5 inner edge with a plurality of cutouts adapted for engaging the outer
surface of the nut; and
a handle pivotally attached to said collar.
2. The apparatus according to claim 1 including a pair of pivot pins pivotally
10 connecting said handle with said collar.
3. The apparatus according to claim 2 wherein each said pivot pin has a radially
extending flange formed thereon for engaging said handle and said collar to prevent
movement along an axis of rotation.
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4. The apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said handle pivots on an axis of
rotation extending along a diameter of said collar.
5. The apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said collar is formed from two
20 flat rings attached together.
6. The apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said handle includes a pair of
grips attached to a shaft portion.
- 25 7. The apparatus according to claim 6 wherein said grips are attached to said
shaft portion by a pair of fasteners.
8. The apparatus according to claim 7 wherein said pair of fasteners is a pair of
pegs.
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9. An apparatus for installing and removing a sink strainer nut comprising:
a collar having an aperture sized to extend about a sink strainer nut and having a plurality of cutouts at an inner edge defining a plurality of engaging surfaces for engaging respective lugs on the sink strainer nut, said collar
5 having a pair of substantially tubular seats;
a handle having a pair of free ends; and
a pair of pivot pins received in said tubular seats and in free ends, said pivot pins pivotally attaching said collar to said handle.
- 10 10. The apparatus according to claim 9 wherein said collar is formed of a pair of opposed planar ring portions.
11. The apparatus according to claim 9 wherein said handle is formed of a pair of generally S-shaped members.
- 15 12. The apparatus according to claim 9 wherein said handle includes an integrally formed leg portion and shaft portion.
13. The apparatus according to claim 9 wherein each said pivot pin has a radially
20 extending flange formed thereon to prevent movement along an axis of rotation.
14. The apparatus according to claim 9 wherein said collar is annular and said handle pivots on an axis of rotation extending along a diameter of said collar.
- 25 15. The apparatus according to claim 9 wherein said collar is formed from a flat ring.
16. The apparatus according to claim 9 wherein said handle includes a pair of grips attached to a shaft portion.
- 30 17. The apparatus according to claim 16 wherein said grips are attached to said shaft portion by a pair of fasteners.

18. The apparatus according to claim 17 wherein said pair of fasteners is a pair of
pegs.